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Mr. Kevin Fay
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AFKA-71-EH-O
Fort Meade, MD 20755-5115

Dear Mr. Fay:

On September 10, 2001, USDA Forest Service personnel conducted a gypsy moth egg mass survey at Fort Meade. The purposes of the survey were to determine gypsy moth population densities and to assess the potential for defoliation and the need for treatment in 2002.

The locations of the survey plots are shown in Figure 1. I am pleased to report that no egg masses were detected during the survey. Since no defoliation is expected, treatment is not necessary at Fort Meade in 2002.

Please contact Rod Whiteman at (304) 285-1555 if you have any questions regarding the egg mass survey.

Sincerely,

JOHN W. HAZEL
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Figure 1. -- Gypsy moth egg mass survey plot locations at Fort Meade, September 10, 2001.